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RESPONSE TO MAY 4, 2005 OFFICE ACTION

Dear Sir:

This Amendment is submitted in response to the Office Action mailed May 4, 2005. Applicant respectfully requests amendment of the patent application, and reconsideration and allowance of the pending claims.